

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Supervisor's Report on Use of Force

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Incident Information

URN: 916 - 02590 - 2603 - 145	Date: 02-21-16	Time: 0340 hours
Location: [REDACTED] E. Avenue S, #217	City or Station: Palmdale	
Bureau/Station/Facility: North Patrol / Palmdale Station	Admin. Investigation: <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO	
Type of Force: Control Holds/ Personal weapons/ Carotid Restraint		
Incident Category: <input type="radio"/> 1 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3	Deputy Injury: <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO	Suspect Injury: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Call <input type="checkbox"/> Observation <input type="checkbox"/> Detail	<input type="checkbox"/> Foot Pursuit <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Pursuit	
IAB Notified: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	Person Notified: Lt. Maldonado	Emp: [REDACTED] IAB Roll Out: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO

Involved Employee

E 1	Employee # [REDACTED]	Last Name: Roach	First Name: David	Middle I. [REDACTED]	Rank: DSG
Sex: <input checked="" type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> F	Race: W	Height: 508	Weight: 205	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input checked="" type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty
Unit of Assignment: Palmdale Station	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Unit 265				
Individual Force Used: Control Holds/ Personal weapons	<input type="checkbox"/> Directed <input type="checkbox"/> Rescue <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assist				Individual Category: <input type="radio"/> 1 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: [REDACTED]					Coroner Case #

E 2	Employee # [REDACTED]	Last Name: [REDACTED]	First Name: [REDACTED]	Middle I. [REDACTED]	Rank: DSG
Sex: <input checked="" type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> F	Race: W	Height: 602	Weight: 230	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input checked="" type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty
Unit of Assignment: Palmdale Station	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Unit 265				
Individual Force Used: Control Holds/Carotid Restraint	<input type="checkbox"/> Directed <input type="checkbox"/> Rescue <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assist				Individual Category: <input type="radio"/> 1 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: [REDACTED]					Coroner Case #

E 3	Employee # [REDACTED]	Last Name: [REDACTED]	First Name: [REDACTED]	Middle I. [REDACTED]	Rank: DSG
Sex: <input checked="" type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> F	Race: P	Height: 505	Weight: 160	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input checked="" type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty
Unit of Assignment: Palmdale Station	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Unit 263J				
Individual Force Used: Control Holds	<input type="checkbox"/> Directed <input type="checkbox"/> Rescue <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assist				Individual Category: <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: [REDACTED]					Coroner Case #

On Duty Supervisor

Emp. # [REDACTED]	Last Name: Knott	First Name: Theodore	Middle I. P.	Rank: Sgt.	Present: YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Witness to Incident: YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Supervisor Completing Investigation						
Emp. # [REDACTED]	Last Name: Smeltzer	First Name: Chad	Middle I. E.	Rank: Sgt.	Present: YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Witness to Incident: YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Watch Commander/ Supervising Lieutenant						
Emp. # [REDACTED]	Last Name: Shaffer	First Name: Ronald	Middle I. T.	Rank: Lt.		

Lt. Ronald Shaffer

Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Copy Provided to Employee by: _____ Emp #: _____

A/Captain Dennis M. Kneer

Unit Commander (Print Name) _____ Unit Commander's Signature: _____ Emp #: _____ Date: _____

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Original: Discovery Unit
Copy: Unit Commander
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SUSPECT INFORMATION

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Suspect Information

S 1

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Armed? Select	
Haussner		Joshua		Edward		Not Armed	
AKA Last Name		First Name		Middle Name			
Sex:	Race:	Age:	Height:	Weight:	D.O.B:	Phone #1: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C	Phone #2: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female	W	24	511	210	02-21-16		
Street Address:				City:		State & Zip Code:	
Booking #:		Primary Charge Code:		Secondary Charge Code:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal History	
4585870		69 PC					
Treated on Scene? <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		Name:		Unit:		Phone #:	
		LA County Fire		Station #131		(661) 947-8700	
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/> Rec'd Treatment At:		Coroner Case #:		Mental History <input type="checkbox"/>		User's guide provides direction on this entry	
Palmdale Regional							
By: Dr. Whitehurst		Address: 38600 Medical Center Drive, Palmdale		Phone #: (661) 382-5000			
Under Influence: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		Substance: Alcohol		5150 a factor in force? <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO		User's guide provides direction on this entry	
Date: 02-21-16		Time: 0601		<input type="checkbox"/> Audiotape: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Videotape: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photos of Injuries:		<input type="checkbox"/> ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS	

Suspect Information

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<input type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female							
Street Address:				City:		State & Zip Code:	
Booking #:		Primary Charge Code:		Secondary Charge Code:		<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal History	
Treated on Scene? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		By:		Unit:		Phone #:	
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/> Rec'd Treatment At:		Coroner Case #:		Mental History <input type="checkbox"/>		User's guide provides direction on this entry	
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Booking #:		Primary Charge Code:		Secondary Charge Code:		<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal History	
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☐ Additional Suspects Involved

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Employee Witnesses					
Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name		
	Hirigoyen	John	NMN		
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift:	
Palmdale Station		Unit 263		<input checked="" type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty	
Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name		
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift:	
				<input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty	
Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name		
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift:	
				<input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty	
Non-Employee Witnesses					
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	Age D.O.B.
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	Age D.O.B.
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	Age D.O.B.
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	Age D.O.B.
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Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	Age D.O.B.
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

☐ Additional Witness

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INCIDENT: Use of Force, personal weapons to face

IAB FILE NUMBER: FO 2396567

URN#: 916-02590-2603-145

DATE/TIME: February 21, 2016, 0340 Hours

LOCATION: [REDACTED] East Avenue S, Apt # [REDACTED], Palmdale

SYNOPSIS

On February 21, 2016, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) team comprised of Lieutenant Albert Maldonado, Sergeant Chad Smeltzer, and Sergeant Luan Dang responded to Palmdale Station regarding a use of force, which included personal weapons (clenched fist) to the suspect's face, resulting in a fractured orbital. On August 1, 2016, this case was reassigned to IAB Sergeant Nader Chahine.

On February 21, 2016, at **0327 hours**, Suspect Joshua Haussner (9-1-1 caller), told the Palmdale Station dispatcher that his [REDACTED] (Suspect Nayely Gonzalez), slapped him. Suspect Haussner, also told the dispatcher his [REDACTED] was intoxicated, "crazy," and believed his [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) was in danger **[EXHIBIT A, 9-1-1 call]**. An emergent radio call of a domestic violence incident was dispatched to Early Morning shift Deputies John Hirigoyen [REDACTED] [REDACTED] David Roach, and [REDACTED], at 0327 hours **[EXHIBIT A, radio traffic]**.

Deputies Roach, [REDACTED] [REDACTED], and Hirigoyen, arrived at [REDACTED] East Avenue S Apartment # [REDACTED] at **0329 hours**, and began formulating a tactical plan outside the apartment complex. Deputy Roach was designated to deploy the **Taser**, to be utilized as a less lethal option. Deputies [REDACTED] and Hirigoyen were designated as the **arrest team**, their duties were to take the suspect into custody. Deputy [REDACTED] was designated to contain rear of the location, to ensure no one escaped.

Once at the front door of apartment, Deputies Roach, [REDACTED], and Hirigoyen, heard crying (sounding like a female) coming from inside the apartment. Deputy [REDACTED] responded to the rear of the apartment and saw a female (through a window), who was later identified as Suspect Gonzalez, lying on the living room

floor inside the apartment, crying. Deputy [REDACTED] advised, Deputies Roach, [REDACTED] and Hirigoyen, via hand held radio, what he observed. Deputies Roach, [REDACTED] and Hirigoyen made numerous attempts to contact Suspect Gonzalez (two to three minutes) by knocking on the front door of the apartment.

A male, later identified as Suspect Joshua Haussner (wearing only boxer shorts), opened the front door of the apartment, carrying his [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in his arms. Suspect Haussner stepped out of the doorway and Deputy Roach explained to him (Suspect Haussner) they received a call for a report of domestic violence at his apartment. Deputies [REDACTED] and Hirigoyen stepped inside the apartment and contacted Suspect Gonzalez. Suspect Gonzalez was sitting on the living-room floor, hysterically crying. Deputy Hirigoyen began interviewing Suspect Gonzalez, who stated Suspect Haussner was her [REDACTED] and they had been drinking prior to them getting into an argument. Suspect Gonzalez denied any physical altercation with Suspect Haussner.

During the interview with Suspect Haussner, Deputy Roach observed redness and swelling to both of his eyes. Deputy Roach stated, Suspect Haussner told him his [REDACTED] (Suspect Gonzalez) punched him several times in the face. At that moment, Deputy Roach decided to have Suspect Haussner (still holding his baby) go back inside the apartment, because it was cold outside. Deputy Roach determined, based on Suspect Haussner's statements, a crime had occurred and Suspect Gonzalez was going to be arrested [see page 4 of Deputy Roach's IAB transcripts].

Deputies [REDACTED] and Hirigoyen walked Suspect Gonzalez outside of the apartment for further questioning. Deputy [REDACTED] who had returned from the rear of the apartment, escorted Suspect Haussner and his baby back into the apartment. Suspect Haussner placed his baby in the play pen in the living room. Deputy [REDACTED] then escorted Suspect Haussner into the bedroom to look for a sweater for Suspect Gonzalez. Deputy [REDACTED] recovered a knife located on the floor in the bedroom. Suspect Haussner told Deputy [REDACTED] his [REDACTED] (Suspect Gonzalez) charged him with the knife, which started the argument. Deputy [REDACTED] retrieved a sweater for Suspect Gonzalez and gave it to her. Deputy [REDACTED] remained inside with Suspect Haussner, standing in the hallway of the apartment [see page 4 of Deputy [REDACTED] IAB transcript].

Meanwhile, Deputies Roach and [REDACTED] were standing outside of the front door in an open walkway area, interviewing Suspect Gonzalez. Suspect Gonzalez stated Suspect Haussner did not touch her and repeatedly asked to go inside with her baby. Based on the visible injuries sustained by Suspect Haussner and statements made, Deputy [REDACTED] arrested Suspect Gonzalez for domestic violence (273.5 PC) and handcuffed her. Deputy [REDACTED] directed Deputy Hirigoyen to escort Suspect Gonzalez to a patrol vehicle.

Suspect Gonzalez began yelling and screaming at Suspect Haussner, while in the hallway of the apartment near the front door, "I can't believe you're going to do this to me. I can't believe you're going to send me to jail," using profanity [see page 5 of Deputy ██████ Incident report and page 5 of his IAB transcript].

Suspect Gonzalez stated to Suspect Haussner, "They're taking me away, is this what you want?" Deputy ██████ closed the door but left it partially open to prevent Suspect Haussner from witnessing Suspect Gonzalez' arrest. Deputy ██████ was facing Suspect Haussner with his (Deputy ██████) back to the door, still holding the knife (in his right hand) he recovered from the bedroom. Suspect Haussner attempted to open the front door, as he (Suspect Haussner) reached around Deputy ██████ with both arms. Deputy ██████ dropped the knife behind him onto the floor and tried to stop Suspect Haussner from opening the door [see page 4 and 5 of Deputy ██████ IAB transcript].

Deputy ██████ stated approximately five to ten seconds later, he (Deputy ██████) observed the front door reopen and saw two hands come around the open edge of the front door. Deputy ██████ saw Suspect Haussner's face and fingers partially exposed, as he (Suspect Haussner) opened the door. Deputy Roach walked up to the door and told Suspect Haussner to stay inside as he (Suspect Haussner) attempted to exit the doorway. Suspect Haussner began yelling and screaming, "Hey, what's going on? She can't go to jail, you can't take her." Suspect Haussner placed both of his hands on Deputy Roach's chest area and attempted to push him out of the way. Deputy Roach believed Suspect Haussner wanted to rescue Suspect Gonzalez and "hurt" them (Deputies Roach, ██████, ██████ and Hirigoyen) [see page 5 of Deputy ██████ Incident report, page 16 of Deputy ██████ IAB transcript, and page 5 of Deputy Roach's IAB transcript].

Deputy Roach pushed Suspect Haussner back as Deputy ██████ placed his arms on the back of Deputy Roach, and pushed against both Deputy Roach and Suspect Haussner. Suspect Haussner pulled Deputy Roach into a small bathroom, which was one to two feet from the front doorway. Suspect Haussner pushed Deputy Roach against the toilet (lid closed), as Deputy ██████ attempted to hit Suspect Haussner two times in the face with his (Deputy ██████) right fist, but was unsuccessful.

Deputy ██████, who was also funneled into the bathroom, grabbed Suspect Haussner's right arm and attempted to pull his (Suspect Haussner) right arm away from Deputy Roach. Deputy ██████ also grabbed Suspect Haussner's left shoulder and pulled downward to take Suspect Haussner to the floor, and to prevent Suspect Haussner from pushing Deputy Roach off the toilet. Deputy ██████ was unsuccessful, as Suspect Haussner continued to pull his (Suspect Haussner) arms away from Deputy ██████ grasp. Suspect Haussner pushed up against Deputy Roach's neck area, forcing Deputy Roach's head backward.

Deputy Roach fearing he would end up on his back in the small bathroom, stood up partially on the toilet seat (at an elevated angle slightly over the top of Suspect Haussner) and punched him (Suspect Haussner) four times with a clenched right fist on the left side of his face (forehead, eye, and cheek area). Deputy [REDACTED] wrapped both his (Deputy [REDACTED]) arms around the upper chest and held down Suspect Haussner's arms in front of his (Suspect Haussner) chest in a "bear hug." The punches seemed to be effective as Suspect Haussner stopped pushing [see page 5, 17, and 18 of Deputy Roach's IAB transcript, page 6 of Deputy [REDACTED] Incident report, and page 2 of Deputy [REDACTED] Supplemental report].

IAB Note: Deputy Hirigoyen stated, as he remained outside with Suspect Gonzalez, he heard the deputies yell commands, to stop fighting, he transmitted via radio (Duplex Patch), at 0341 hours, that deputies were involved in a fight and requested for additional units to respond.

Deputy [REDACTED] was able to gain control of Suspect Haussner and pull him off of Deputy Roach. Deputy [REDACTED] gave Suspect Haussner commands to get down on the ground and to stop fighting as Suspect Haussner continued screaming and yelling for his [REDACTED] (Suspect Gonzalez). Deputy [REDACTED] attempted to apply the carotid restraint, but was unable to fully wrap his arms around Suspect Haussner's neck, therefore the carotid restraint was not effective [see page 6 of Deputy [REDACTED] Incident report].

Deputy [REDACTED] maintained his position behind Suspect Haussner as they now faced the doorway with Deputy Roach behind them. Deputy [REDACTED] continued to give Suspect Haussner verbal commands to stop fighting. Suspect Haussner complied and lied down flat on the floor, facing the front doorway, as Deputy [REDACTED] lied on top of Suspect Haussner. Deputy [REDACTED] loosened his grip slightly to lower the pressure he (Deputy [REDACTED]) was applying around Suspect Haussner's neck (Suspect Haussner never lost consciousness during the incident).

Deputy Roach deployed his Taser and told Suspect Haussner he would be Tased, if he (Suspect Haussner) did not comply with his orders. Suspect Haussner did not comply, so Deputy Roach placed his left leg onto the top of Suspect Haussner's right shoulder. As Deputy Roach grabbed Suspect Haussner's right arm and placed it behind his (Suspect Haussner) back, Deputy [REDACTED] handcuffed Suspect Haussner's right wrist. Deputy Roach ordered Suspect Haussner to place his left hand behind his (Suspect Haussner) back and Suspect Haussner complied. Deputy [REDACTED] handcuffed Suspect Haussner's left wrist. Deputy Roach advised no further assistance was needed and requested paramedics via radio (Duplex Patch, at 0343 hours), to provide medical assistance to Suspect Haussner [see page 6 of Deputy [REDACTED] Incident report and page 17 of Deputy Roach's transcript].

Subsequent to Suspect Haussner's handcuffing, Sergeants Theodore Knott and Rick Cartmill arrived on scene. Sergeant Knott took photographs and video of the scene [EXHIBIT A]. Sergeant Cartmill canvased the area for witnesses [EXHIBIT C, Video of canvas].

Deputy Roach conducted a videotaped interview of Suspect Hausnner, while he (Suspect Haussner) was seated in the back seat the patrol vehicle [EXHIBIT B]. Suspect Haussner's videotaped interview was later transcribed and included in this case. Suspect Haussner was transported to Palmdale Regional Medical Center, by Deputies Kyle Dingman and Corey Reddy.

Deputy [REDACTED] authored an Incident Report (SH-R-49) report regarding the incident [EXHIBIT D]. Deputy Roach authored a supplemental report [EXHIBIT E], Deputy Aquino authored a supplemental report [EXHIBIT F], and Deputy Hirigoyen authored a supplemental report [EXHIBIT G], regarding the incident.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEES AND WORK HISTORY

David Roach, Deputy Sheriff, # [REDACTED]
North Patrol Division
Palmdale Station

Work History

Date of Employment:	January 25, 2006
Date Assigned to Patrol/Palmdale Station:	April 5, 2015
Date Completed Patrol Training:	[REDACTED]
Prior Shooting Incident:	March 1, 2011
Prior Founded Force Incidents:	[REDACTED]

Equipment Worn On Person

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Expandable baton

[REDACTED] Deputy, # [REDACTED]
North Patrol Division
Palmdale Station

Work History

Date of Employment:
Date Assigned to Palmdale Station:
Date Completed Patrol Training:
Prior Shooting Incidents:
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

May 23, 2007

Equipment Worn On Person

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray
Expandable Baton

[REDACTED] Deputy, # [REDACTED]
North Patrol Division
Palmdale Station

Work History

Date of Employment:
Date Assigned to Palmdale Station:
Date Completed Patrol Training:
Prior Shooting Incidents:
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

April 19, 2012

Equipment Worn On Person

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray
Expandable baton

John Hirigoyen, Deputy, # [REDACTED]
North Patrol Division
Palmdale Station

Work History

Date of Employment:
Date Assigned to Palmdale Station:
Date Completed Patrol Training:
Prior Shooting Incidents:
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

March 23, 1999
October 21, 2012

Equipment Worn On Person

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray
Expandable Baton

SUSPECT INFORMATION

Joshua Edward Haussner

Male, White, DOB: March 3, 1991, 5'11", 210 pounds

[REDACTED]

IAB Note: A copy of Suspect Haussner's criminal history is included in [EXHIBIT H].

SUSPECT'S INJURIES

Subject Haussner was examined at the scene by paramedics then transported via ambulance to Palmdale Regional Medical Center. He was examined by Doctor Richard Whitehurst at the hospital. Palmdale Station personnel took several photographs of Suspect Haussner's facial injuries [EXHIBIT A]. Suspect Haussner was treated for a fractured right orbital, neck sprain, back sprain, and abrasion, which was subsequently treated with medication. He was issued an "Okay to Book" by Doctor Richard Whitehurst [EXHIBIT I] and was booked at Palmdale Station for a charge of 69 PC, Resist Executive Officer by Force [EXHIBIT D].

Lieutenant Ken Wright talked to Doctor Whitehurst, who told him Suspect Haussner's injuries were consistent with the force reported by Deputies Roach, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [EXHIBIT D]. Palmdale Station's Early Morning Watch Commander, Lieutenant Wright, conducted a videotaped interview of Suspect Haussner at the hospital [EXHIBIT A].

Suspect Haussner authorized the release of his medical records of his examination and treatment from Palmdale Regional Medical Center [EXHIBIT I]. He told IAB investigators he had a fractured right orbital.

IAB investigators photographed Suspect Haussner's person and noted the aforementioned facial injuries [EXHIBIT K]. Subsequent medical records of his examination and treatment while in Los Angeles County Jail facilities were obtained by IAB investigators [EXHIBIT L].

DEPUTY PERSONNEL INJURIES

None

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

No physical evidence was collected by IAB investigators.

INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

The scene was not held in relation to this force incident. Palmdale Station personnel took photographs of the scene [EXHIBIT A]. Approximately six and a half hours elapsed between the time of the incident and the IAB investigators' arrival on scene. The area was checked for possible video camera coverage, but none was located.

WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY ROACH

Deputy Roach struck Suspect Haussner four times on the left side face with his right fist.

PROPERTY DAMAGE BY SUSPECT HAUSSNER

None.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR AND CHARGES FILED

The suspect was charged with one felony count of Battery on a Peace Officer, 243(B) PC, on February 22, 2016. The case was presented to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office for filing consideration. One count of 243(B) PC was filed under court case #ATP6AN0084101: Suspect Haussner was convicted and placed on summary probation.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

The incident occurred in the apartment and there was partial illumination from a hallway light. The weather was clear and dry.

SCENE DESCRIPTION

█████ East Avenue S Apt #█████ is a north facing, one bedroom Apartment on the ██████. There is a courtyard outside of the apartment. The use of force incident took place in the bathroom and hallway of the apartment.

INVESTIGATION

IAB investigators interviewed the following Department personnel: Involved Employees, Deputies Roach, [REDACTED] and Hirigoyen. IAB investigators also interviewed Suspect Haussner on videotape [EXHIBIT J]. The interviews were digitally recorded and transcribed. For complete statements made, more information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcriptions

Other witness interviews were video recorded by Sergeant Cartmill of Palmdale Station. Those interviews were not transcribed, as the interviewees were not percipient witnesses. The indicated audio recordings were transferred to a DVD and included in this case. Also included on the DVD were the photographs taken by Palmdale Station personnel [EXHIBIT C].